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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the first, nonfinal Office action dated November 17, 2005, please amend the above-cited patent application, without prejudice, as set forth below, and consider the accompanying remarks.

AMENDMENT

- a. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- b. Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.